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SUBJ: SPF MEETING

1. DURING FAREWELL CALL 3 APRIL ON PRIME MINISTER,
I ASKED HOW SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM (SPF) MEETING OF
MARCH 20-22 HAD GONE. HE REPLIED HE HAD BEEN
DISAPPOINTED BY LACK OF DISCUSSION OF PROBLEMS. THERE
SEEMED TO BE LITTLE DISAGREEMENT ALTHOUGH HE KNEW THERE
WERE SUBJECTS, SUCH AS INTER-ISLAND SHIPPING, WHICH
NEEDED AIRING. HE IMPLIED THAT IF ISLAND LEADERS DID
NOT DISCUSS AND FACE UP TO THEIR REGIONAL PROBLEMS
MORE FRANKLY WITH GNZ AND GOA, GNZ MIGHT CONSIDER
CUTTING DOWN ITS SUBSTANTIAL AID. THE ONLY ISLAND
LEADER HE PRAISED WAS SIR ALBERT HENRY, PREMIER
OF COOK ISLANDS. DESPITE THREE RECENT MILD CORONARIES,
SIR ALBERT WAS STILL ACTIVE LEADER RESPECTED BY HIS
PEOPLE AND WAS PRESENTLY SEEKING TO BUY VESSEL WITH
GNZ AID FUNDS FOR AUCKLAND-RAROTONGA RUN. SIR ALBERT'S
LEADERSHIP NOW MORE RESPECTED IN NZ. I ASKED IF ISLAND
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LEADERS MIGHT NOT FEEL THEY COULD TALK MORE FRANKLY

WITHOUT PRESENCE NZ AND AUSSIE LEADERS. KIRK SAID SCORNFULLY, THEY COULD MEET ANY TIME THEY WANTED. HE WAS NOT VERY CONCERNED WITH IMPACT ENERGY CRISIS ON ISLANDERS COMPARED TO APPALLING IMPACT IT HAVING IN INDIA.

2. COMMENT. KIRK SEEMD DISENCHANTED WITH GNZ AID TO ISLANDS. HE WAS TIRED AND DID NOT HAVE MUCH BOUNCE TO HIS 4000 OUNCES.
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